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hybridizing the sample with a substrate, wherein the substrate has a plurality of different probes and wherein the probes are suitable for multiple bases primer extension reactions;
synthesizing primer extension primer products with a nucleic acid polymerase, appropriate reagents and conditions, from the primers and using the RNAs as templates; and
detecting the primer extension products.

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20. The method of claim 18 wherein the label is attached to the extension products after the synthesizing of primer extension products with a nucleic acid polymerase.

REMARKS

Applicants have amended claim 1. Support for the amendment for claim 1 is found throughout the application and is particularly found at page 13, lines 9-13 and page 25, lines 8-10.

Specifically, claim 1 recites the substrate has a plurality of probes and wherein the probes are suitable for multiple bases primer extension reactions.

Applicants have amended claim 20. Support for the amendment for claim 20 is found throughout the application and is particularly found originally submitted in claim 1.

Specifically claim 20 clarifies the label attached to the extension products after the synthesizing of primer extension products with nucleic acid polymerase.

It is submitted that no new matter has been introduced by the present amendments and entry of the same is respectfully requested. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the pending rejection and reexamination of the present claims in light of the amendments and the remarks detailed below.

By these amendments, the Applicants do not acquiesce to the propriety of any of the Examiner's rejections and do not disclaim any subject matter to which Applicants are entitled.